

Hon. Richard A. Jones

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

JESSICA BENTON, *et al.*,

Plaintiff(s),

v.

CITY OF SEATTLE,

Defendant(s).

No. 2:20-cv-01174-RAJ

ORDER SETTING TRIAL
DATE AND RELATED
DATES

JURY TRIAL DATE

SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

Length of Trial

10 days

Deadline for Joining Additional Parties

November 30, 2020

Deadline to File Amended Pleadings

March 31, 2021

Expert Witness Disclosure/Reports
Under FRCP 26(a)(2) Due

March 31, 2021

Deadline to Complete Discovery

June 1, 2021

All motions related to discovery must be noted
on the motion calendar no later than the Friday
before discovery closes pursuant to
LCR7(d)(3)

All dispositive motions and motions
challenging expert witness testimony
must be filed by

June 29, 2021

1	All motions <i>in limine</i> must be filed by	August 30, 2021
2	Agreed Pretrial Order due	September 13, 2021
3	Pretrial conference	To be set by the Court
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5	Trial briefs, proposed jury instructions,	
6	proposed voir dire, agreed neutral statement	
7	of the case, deposition designations,	September 20, 2021
8	and trial exhibits due	

9 **These are firm dates that can be changed only by order of the Court, not**
10 **by agreement of counsel or the parties. The Court will alter these dates only**
11 **upon good cause shown.** If the trial date assigned to this matter creates an
12 irreconcilable conflict, counsel must notify Victoria Ericksen, Courtroom Deputy, by
13 email at victoria_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov within 10 days of the date of this
14 Order and must set forth the exact nature of the conflict. A failure to do so will be
15 deemed a waiver. Counsel must be prepared to begin trial on the date scheduled, but
16 it should be understood that the trial may have to await the completion of other
cases.

17 **COUNSEL ARE DIRECTED TO REVIEW JUDGE JONES’**
18 **CHAMBERS PROCEDURES** at [http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/judges/jones-](http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/judges/jones-procedures)
19 [procedures](http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/judges/jones-procedures). Counsel are expected to abide by the requirements set forth therein.
20 Failure to do so may result in the imposition of sanctions.

21 **ALTERATIONS TO FILING PROCEDURES**

22 Counsel are required to electronically file all documents with the Court. Pro se
23 litigants may file either electronically or in paper form. Information and procedures
24 for electronic filing can be found on the Western District of Washington’s website at
25 <http://www.wawd.uscourts.gov/attorneys/cmecf>.
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1 The following alteration to the Filing Procedures applies in all cases pending
2 before Judge Jones:

3 **Mandatory chambers copies are required for all e-filed motions, responses,**
4 **replies, and surreplies, and all supporting documentation relating to motions,**
5 **regardless of page length.**

6 The paper copy of the documents (with tabs or other organizing aids as
7 necessary) shall be delivered to the Clerk's Office by 12:00 p.m. on the business day
8 after filing. The chambers copy must be clearly marked with the words "Courtesy
9 Copy of Electronic Filing for Chambers." The parties are required to print all
10 courtesy copies from CM/ECF using the "Include headers when displaying PDF
11 documents" feature under "Document Options." This requirement does not apply to
12 pleadings filed under seal.

13 COOPERATION

14 As required by LCR 37(a), all discovery matters are to be resolved by
15 agreement, if possible. Counsel and the parties are further directed to cooperate in
16 preparing the final Pretrial Order in the format required by LCR 16.1.

17 SETTLEMENT

18 Should this case settle, counsel shall notify Victoria Ericksen as soon as
19 possible at victoria_ericksen@wawd.uscourts.gov. An attorney or party who fails to
20 give the Court prompt notice of settlement may be subject to such discipline as the
21 Court deems appropriate.

22 DATED: September 10, 2020.

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24 The Honorable Richard A. Jones
25 United States District Judge
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